



## News in review

News in review provides a summary of some of the past week's stories. This column is designed for out-of-town readers who do not receive the Sunday and Wednesday Press-Record/Journals.

### Two die as train plows into car

Two people were killed early Wednesday evening when their car was struck by an Amtrak train on Pontoon Road near Nameoki Road in Granite City.

Mathew Tebbe, 19, of Wood River, and Veronica Duchaine, 34, of East Alton, were pronounced dead at the scene of the accident, which occurred at 8:32 p.m.

The accident occurred when the driver of the car apparently tried to go around the crossing gates, authorities said.

### Wife charged in killing

A 36-year-old Granite City woman was charged with first-degree murder Thursday in connection with the shooting death of her husband the previous morning.

"This is cold. It is as cold-blooded a murder as you'll find," Granite City Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen said.

Paula Miles is alleged to have shot her husband, Paul, in the head with a Smith & Wesson .38-caliber revolver Wednesday morning in their home at 3232 Edgewood Drive. She is being held on \$1 million bond.

Paul Miles, 41, was pronounced dead of a single gunshot wound to the head by Madison County Coroner Investigator Ed Morton after 6:15 a.m. Wednesday.

### Bill Winter dies

Bill Winter often said that working at a newspaper was "the only job I've ever had or wanted."

Winter, 66, retired from the Granite City Press-Record and Journal last year after 49 years as a reporter and editor. He died Thursday morning at St. Elizabeth Medical Center, where he had been a patient for three weeks.

Winter played an essential role at the Granite City papers for half a century. He began his career in 1945 and continued to write and edit stories and columns full time until August 1994. He held the position of editor of the Press-Record from 1970 to 1980, and spent the last years of his career as a copyeditor and columnist. He continued to write a local column up until his death. His final column appeared in the Nov. 2 Press-Record.

### Bono appointed to judicial post

Attorney Randall A. Bono has been appointed circuit judge for Madison County by the Illinois Supreme Court.

The announcement was made late Monday afternoon by Nicholas G. Byron, chief judge for the Third Judicial Circuit.

Bono will fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Circuit Judge George Filcoff earlier this month.

Bono, who recently moved back to Bethalto from Florida, said he has not decided if he will run for the seat in the March primary.

### Madison may get 2nd plant

A wood-processing facility may be built next to the proposed \$75 million energy plant in Madison, developers told the Madison City Council last week.

The facility, which would process waste wood for fuel for the plant, would not produce as much tax revenue for the city as the plant itself, but could have an even greater impact on the economy and double the number of workers at the site, developers said.

The facility would also allow recyclable materials to be recovered. Developer Michael Vrtis said the process is labor-intensive and would create an additional 40 jobs. The plant itself is expected to have about 40 full-time employees.

### TIF plan key to reversing blight

The proposed tax increment financing district in the city of Madison could increase the assessed value of property within the district to \$15 million from \$500,000, according to estimates presented to the City Council last week.

That would provide an additional \$2 million per year in tax revenue and bring in jobs, more development and national exposure, said Alan Ortbals, executive director of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority.

Ortbals last week gave council members copies of the redevelopment plan.

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# Shutdown has varying effects

## Social Security offices among those closed by dispute

Most area residents were hardly affected by the shutdown of federal government services Tuesday, but it had a big impact on the few people who found office doors closed.

"You wouldn't believe some of the stories I've heard," said Teresa Hale, a guard at the Alton Federal Building. She said she could not provide specifics about people who come to federal building offices for service but said some are being referred to social service agencies for help.

Hale handed out leaflets to a number of people who came to the shuttered Social Security office Tuesday. It was a job she did not relish, but she said most people were understanding and courteous.

"They don't want to shoot the messenger," she said.

Among those who weren't happy with the shutdown was U.S. Rep. Dick Durbin, D-Springfield, who said Monday he would give his paycheck back to the U.S. Treasury during the shutdown.

"(Speaker of the House) Newt Gingrich is more interested in playing political games than in finding a common-sense, bipartisan approach to the budget,"

Durbin said. "He needs to take his extreme proposals off the table and lay his own checkbook down."

"If other Americans don't get the benefits and salaries they have earned... neither should we."

Meanwhile, employees of the Riverlands Environmental Demonstration Area in West Alton, Mo., and U.S. Army Engineers workers on the Mel Price Locks and Dam put in a full day's work Tuesday despite earlier suggestions that some civilians would be sent home.

Officials said employees reported for duty and worked without interruption.

"We didn't have any problems," Manager Pat McGinnis said. "I've been out of the office most of the day, but I've been told everything went rather smoothly."

The U.S. District Court in East St. Louis was also unaffected by the shutdown, Court Clerk Stuart O'Hare said.

"We're all here and doing the Lord's work as usual," he said.

Hundreds of thousands of federal workers nationwide were sent home Tuesday as the budget deadlock between

President Clinton and the Republican-controlled Congress forced much of the government to shut down.

A meeting at the Capitol Tuesday failed to resolve the impasse. Asked if the government would remain shut down Wednesday, White House spokesman Mike McCurry replied curtly, "Yes."

Steve Walker of Alton found himself a victim of the shutdown. Walker simply needed a copy of his latest disability check as proof he qualifies for a federally subsidized apartment in Bethalto.

Walker, a former nurse's aide who has severe arthritis in his spine and hip, showed up at the Social Security office Tuesday only to be turned away by Hale. "I'm ticked off about it," Walker said.

"I bet they still get their paychecks," he said of the federal employees.

Walker said his roommate is moving Dec. 2 and he cannot afford the rent on his current apartment by himself. He said he has another disability check due Dec. 3, but said he is concerned about providing proof of disability on time to get into the new place.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## Mobile home titles investigated

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

Allegations about improperly transferred titles in Village Green Mobile Home Park in Pontoon Beach are expected to be heard by the Madison County grand jury today.

The Illinois Secretary of State's office has been investigating the allegations since other problems with the park surfaced in the spring. The park is owned by Ed Zeman of Chicago, and has been a subject of controversy in the village since May.

Assistant State's Attorney Kyle Skjerseth said Wednesday the matter would be brought to the grand jury this afternoon, and their decision could be announced as early as Friday.

"Right now our biggest concern is that occupants said they purchased mobile homes, but they haven't received titles, or the titles have been wrong,"

he said. Officials with the Secretary of State's law enforcement office in East St. Louis would not comment except to say there is an ongoing criminal investigation.

Skjerseth said the main thrust of the investigation has been toward Elaine Holmes and Elizabeth Couch. She would not elaborate.

Holmes, along with her husband, James, sold and added mobile homes at the park until prohibited by the park management in early August.

Couch was the absentee manager of the mobile home park Couch — who had attended many village board

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Prosecutor

meetings — has not attended in recent weeks and company officials would neither confirm or deny if she was still with the company.

Neither could be reached for comment. Both Couch and Holmes had been heavily criticized by residents at public hearings in July.

At one of those hearings, a long line of residents formed to talk to Secretary of State police about title problems. Because of the investigation, abandoned mobile homes in the park could not be moved.

However, Skjerseth said her office agreed last Thursday to allow 12 derelict trailers to be removed from the park.

She also said the park owners have been cooperative.

Dolly Amore, regional vice president for the park, declined comment on the matter, saying it was company policy not to talk to the press.

## SIUE engineering school funding stalled

SPRINGFIELD — A planned \$21 million engineering school at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will likely remain stalled until at least next year.

House Deputy Majority Leader Rep. Tom Ryder, R-Jerseyville, said funding legislation for the structure and other capital projects likely won't be called for a vote in the fall session that ends Thursday due to lack of Democratic support.

The sponsor of the funding legislation, Rep. Tom Rutherford, R-Pontiac, said "some Democrats" were now supportive but "the odds are probably not good at this point that we will get enough this week."

Two area House Democrats said they would continue to oppose the legislation to increase the bond limit because the state already is too deep in debt.

Reps. Steve Davis of Bethalto and Jay Hoffman of Collinsville both said they supported local projects but for the new construction should be funded.

About \$2 million in funding for planned renovations to the dietary facilities at the Alton Mental Health Center is also included in the stalled legislation.

Hoffman and Davis said they have not heard anything from constituents, other than officials of the institutions with the building projects, about the legislation since it failed last spring. Some Democratic votes are needed to pass the legislation since three-fifths approval is required.

Sen. Evelyn Bowles, D-Edwardsville, said she has heard from some construction union representatives, but she also said her position has not changed since last spring.

"I want to see what projects are going to be specifically included and I don't see the Democrats' position on this changing one iota," she said.

Sen. Vince Demuzio, D-Carlinville, also said he would continue to oppose the bond increase until Democrats were given input into the state budget, not in that Republicans shut them out last spring.

SIUE Engineering School Dean Harlan Bengtson said if funding for the building had been approved this past spring, it likely could have been ready for occupancy by the fall of 1998. The dispute in the Legislature will now push that back by a year, he estimated.

In the meantime, Bengtson said the school is working with architects to upgrade plans for the new building. "We want to be ready whenever it's approved."

The delay in funding to upgrade the kitchen and dining areas at Alton Mental Health Center means some continued added expense for outdated and inefficient equipment dating back to the 1940s, officials said.

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# Car wash plan passes 1st hurdle

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

A controversial car wash proposed for the downtown area is a step closer to becoming a reality with approval this week by the City Council.

But the developer says council delays in approving an amendment to the city's zoning ordinance are costing him a lot of money.

The City Council voted 9-4 at a special meeting Tuesday night to pass the amendment on first reading. The matter will be on the council agenda for consideration of final passage next Tuesday.

The amendment would add car wash facilities to the list of permitted uses in C-4 zoning districts in the city.

There is currently no classification for car washes in the zoning ordinance. There are two car wash facilities in the city in C-4 districts, Zoning Administrator Glen Hollis said.

He said he believes that C-4 is the appropriate classification for such facilities.

The amendment was requested by Charles M. Knight of St. Louis, who wants to build a \$1 million, automated and fully enclosed car wash on a triangular lot next to QuikTrip, along N. Dinghaus Avenue between Grand and Madison avenues.

The city's Planning and Zoning Commission voted 4-2 last month to recommend approval of the amendment.

Permitted uses in C-4 districts include gasoline filling stations, hotels

and motels, hospitals, restaurants and theaters.

Opponents of the amendment said car wash facilities can be disruptive and would be better placed in C-3 zoning districts.

Permitted uses there include new and used car lots.

Some aldermen expressed concern about water running into the street and freezing, causing traffic hazards. Others were concerned about the amount of traffic.

Voting to place the amendment on first reading were aldermen Craig Tarpo, Kim Affolter, Eddie Asadorian, Nick Pettilio, Bob Shipley, Brian Fuzessery, Nancy Sanders, Alan Crider and Bob Cook.

Voting against the amendment were aldermen Casmer Skubish, Foster Frederick, Mac Warfield and Lurton Pulley.

Alderman Bob Page was out of the room when the vote was taken.

An earlier motion to suspend the council rules and place the amendment on final passage failed to garner the required 10 votes.

Meanwhile, Scott Knight, son of Charles Knight, said he had hoped the amendment could pass quickly so that construction could be completed before cold weather sets in.

Bill Tindall of Tindall Construction Co., the contractor on the project, said it would be difficult to build the facility this construction season.



**Helper** — Two-year-old Kayla Bierschwal rides along with her grandfather, John Eckmann, as he mows his lawn along Whippoorwill Lane in Granite City.

(Staff photo by JOHN FRESSE)

# Gun-toting pupil expelled

By Bob Slate  
Staff writer

A 15-year-old student caught with a loaded gun at Granite City High School Oct. 13 has been expelled from school for a full year.

On Tuesday night, the Granite City School Board approved the 365-day expulsion after a disciplinary hearing held in executive session.

School Superintendent Steve Balen said the expulsion will run from Oct. 16 of this year through Oct. 16, 1996.

That means the student will receive no credits for either semester this year and could only earn credits in the first semester next year by petitioning the board in the fall to allow him to attend an alternative school, Balen said.

Tom Holloway, director of secondary education for the school district, said the gun was discovered in a gym locker after another student tipped school officials to its presence.

Holloway said the student did not threaten anyone with the weapon, a .22-caliber semi-automatic pistol.

Police Chief Dave Ruebhausen said the boy told police that he took the weapon to school to protect himself because he was threatened by alleged gang members.

The boy has been charged as an adult with unlawful use of a weapon.

State law requires a year-long expulsion for students caught with a gun at school.

In other action, the school board expelled a high school student for selling marijuana at the high school, Balen said. That expulsion will last until the end of the school year.

In response to increased disciplinary problems, the school district has established a behavior and discipline committee in each building in the district.

The chairman of each building committee sits on a districtwide committee, Balen said.

"We're looking at some new ways to promote better behavior among students," he said.

# Davis, Knott trade charges

State Rep. Steve Davis said prospective challenger Charles "Tim" Knott should "get his facts straight" before he voices criticism of Davis' legislative record.

"He doesn't know what he's talking about," Davis said. "I would think he would at least look at the record and get his facts straight."

Knott had criticized Davis for promising to support welfare reform and opposing additional gun control measures, but then taking opposite positions in Springfield.

But Davis said he voted for welfare reform and for a National Rifle Association-supported bill that would have barred home rule cities from adopting stricter gun control measures than the state.

The two traded the charges after Knott has announced that he will challenge Davis for the Democratic nomination for the 11th District House seat.

Knott, 32, is a member of the Madison County Board and lives in an unincorporated area of Chouteau Township. He is in his fourth year as a member of the board and had announced earlier he would not seek re-election when his term expires next year.

Knott is a machinist at Olin Brass in East Alton and a former Democratic precinct committeeman.

"Politics as usual has driven a wedge into the heart of the government ability to answer the public's call for help," he said. "I want to work with all lawmakers, Democrats and Republicans alike, to meet the needs of all our citizens and to try and bring some reasonable change back to our political process."

Davis, 46, of Bethalto, is in his first term in the House and was endorsed last week by the county Democratic organization. Knott said he didn't ask for the endorsement.

"I was told it would be a



Knott said he hopes to focus on education, welfare reform and labor issues and would detail his positions as his campaign progresses. He said Davis has "neglected to represent the people who elected him in the last election."

But Davis said he has "kept my promises to the people of the district."

Jim Mihalic of East Alton is seeking the Republican nomination for the 11th District seat.

In another campaign development, Collinsville firefighter Ronald McDonald has announced he will seek the Democratic nomination for the Illinois House in the 112th District. He will oppose Glenn Bradford of Glen Carbon, who was endorsed by party leaders.

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# Madison OKs drug policy for heavy truck operators

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

A drug and alcohol abuse policy for operators of trucks and heavy equipment in the Street Department has been approved by the Madison City Council.

The policy calls for initial drug and alcohol tests, random tests and the immediate termination of workers caught under the influence of alcohol or drugs while operating heavy equipment weighing more than 26,000 pounds.

The law does not cover firefighters, who are not required to obtain commercial driver's licenses.

The city could have opted for a less severe penalty — including treatment and a probationary period — but picked termination at the recommendation of City Attorney Casper Nighossian.

The ordinance was unanimously approved by the council during a special meeting last week. The meeting was held on Wednesday because the regular meeting on Tuesday was canceled due to the election. Two aldermen, Harvey Haynes and John Hamm, were absent.

Several aldermen questioned the severity of the punishment, but later agreed with the action after they were told that the state would take an offenders' driver's license anyway.

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Aldermen Eleanor Armour and Michael Vrabec said alcoholism is a disease and people should be given a second chance.

They initially voted for the less severe punishment, but changed their minds after discussion.

Nighossian said the problem was paying the cost of treatment.

Mayor John Belloff also said the city should not be forced to pay for such expense.

"If you go with the other options, you're digging into the coffers of the city," he said.

Police Chief Steve Skolko then informed the council that if there was a conviction for DUI or drug use, the state would take away the offender's CDL.

Having a commercial driver's license is a requirement for working in the Street Department.

To enforce the act, the city will use the Illinois Municipal League's Drug Alcohol Compliance Testing Program to monitor workers.

City Attorney Casper Nighossian said the new policy would be a use of a new federal law that goes into effect Jan. 1.

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Act holds the city and department supervisors responsible for any violations of the act, and heavy fines could be involved.

Nighossian said.

He also said that because the policy is mandated by the federal government, it is not a matter of negotiation between the city and Teamsters, which represent Street Department workers.

Street Superintendent Robert Robbins said the city has not officially notified workers about the policy yet, but the unions know it is coming.

# Gingerbread House bake sale, craft fair Dec. 2

The Gingerbread House bake sale and craft fair will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 2 at First Assembly of God Church, Route 4 South in Staunton. It has become a tradition at First Assembly that is anticipated by many area residents.

Some of the items available will include decorated sweat shirts, needlepoint, Barbie and Ken clothes, crocheted items, wood crafts, Tupperware, flavored coffees and coconuts, Stanley & Watkins products, florals, jewelry, dough ornaments, homemade jellies and baked goods. For those who treasure another man's "junk," there also will be a white elephant table.

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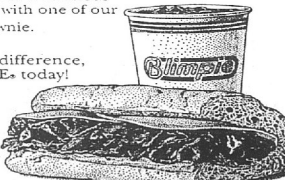
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# Fall arts, craft fair Nov. 24

The 15th Annual Belleville Arts and Crafts Fall Fair will open at 3 p.m. on Friday, Nov. 24. Admission is \$4.

Saturday Fairgoers will pay a \$2 admission and admission on Sunday will be free.

Strollers will not be allowed in the building for safety reasons.

Many of the 400 exhibitors will be returning from last year.

Some of the returning exhibits include beautiful dolls and doll clothes, pottery, tile painting, ceramics, porcelain, flowers and pine cone arrangements, dough ornaments, scrimshaw, home-made cookies and candy, Christmas decorations of all kinds, furniture, toys, trunks, hammock chairs, and much more.

The 15th Annual Belleville Fall Arts and Crafts Show will host exhibitors from 10 states. The show will be held at the Belle-Clair Exposition Building, Route 13 and Route 159 in Belleville.

# Small towns retain charm

"My home town is a one-horse town, but it's big enough for me. The population is scattered and small; you won't find the town on any map at all," my friend "Pretz" Wehling used to warble when in a convivial mood.

The song came to mind a couple of weeks ago when I read an Associated Press feature story on a recently published book, "Our Smallest Towns: Big Falls, Blue Eye, Bonanza & Beyond," by Denise

Kitchen, a photographer, has used the 1990 U.S. Census to locate our nation's tiniest towns and then she visited a number of them to photograph and interview their residents according to the news story.

In case anyone is interested (as I suspect I am), the publisher is Chronicle Books, price \$16.95.

The 50 towns (one in each state) range in size from the largest, Block Island, R.I., with a population of 2,000 to Hoot Owl, Okla. population 12,000. One wonders: Who provided the information about Hoot Owl to the census bureau?

The smallest town in Illinois, by the way, is Valley City, where 23 people reside.

Wonder about Hoot Owl led me to doing a little checking, indicative I'm ashamed to admit, of the depths of curiosity to which the idle mind can descend. Are these incorporated towns, or better still, villages?

Some apparently are, since in several cases, mayors and town clerks are quoted, but Hoot Owl aside, four of the towns had only two residents. One had a population of three and another of four. Eleven towns had populations under 10 and 18 of them had fewer than 21 residents.

How about some of the small towns with which I'm familiar? Just how small are they, really? Not having a copy of the 1990 official census available at home — and too lazy to make a quick trip to the library — I resorted to the most recent atlas (circa, 1990, more or less) to check out population figures and was surprised to find that a lot of them are bigger than I would have guessed.

For instance, Worden was listed with 896. Oddly, Hamel wasn't listed. Nor for that matter were Grantfork or Medora, Kemper or Rockbridge.

All, however, are shown on the Illinois map.

Memory can be tricky, I discovered. During a brief period



Carol Clarkin

in the mid-40s, we lived in a true one-horse town, Cuba, in Fulton County. No mail delivery (one picked it up at the post office), town water unit to drink, and you could have covered the entire community in an hour's brisk walk. I would have figured about 700, but the place actually has 1,440 residents.

Near Cuba is a little crossroads town called St. David. Ed and I used to stop there late evenings for a nightcap after a night in Havana and my recollection is that the entire community consisted of five strictly blue-collar bars, a service station and four houses.

Wrong again. There are 603 people living there.

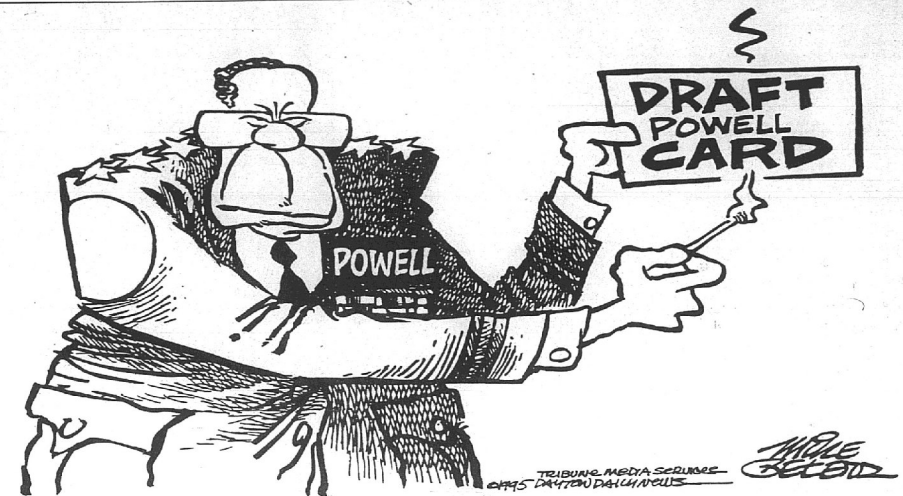
Another small town, Williamsport, Ind., where I lived from infancy to about age 8, I knew it had grown somewhat over the years, because I go back from time to time. I figured that by now, there might be, maybe, 1,200 folks living there, but the atlas said 1,788, a figure I find hard to believe because the town doesn't appear to have changed an iota over the years.

Then there's my all-time favorite whistle-stop, Woodlawn, Ill., in Ingham County, where I spent countless care-free and giddy hours with my cousins. It had (and has) a block-long business center, a grain elevator, and unlike Cuba, can be covered in under half an hour on foot.

The population unlisted in my atlas (though it is on the census) is that it probably is a tiny bit larger than Grantfork, is much tinier than Hamel.

Far be it from me to dispute the U.S. Census figures but I do think there's at least one grain elevator and a town sign in Valley City. Like Grantfork, Hamel and Woodlawn, there's no atlas listing of population figures for Pisgah, Ill., but my memory is quite clear in this case. Two houses and one grain elevator and a town sign just before you get to the tiny two-family community, denoting that at least considered itself a community.

What's more, like Pretzel's "home town," you won't find this town on any map at all.



## Letters to the editor

### Many risk lives at rail crossing

TO THE EDITOR:  
This is in regard to all the unnecessary deaths that have occurred at the train crossing at 203 and Pontoon Road. Are we as a society in such a hurry that we risk death over a 15-minute wait? If you take a day and sit and watch that crossing, you'll see many cars go around the gates. What is really sad is most of the ones that go around have passengers (children) who are relying on you as a driver to obey the law and not get them killed.

Sure, while this accident is in the news, people will slow down and wait but go back and watch a month from now, the cars will be going around the gates again.

What is it going to take to stop this from happening again? How about a billboard with all the names of the people who died there needlessly. Maybe if people see something like that every time they go over those tracks, they'll stop and think: Do I want to take the chance of my name being put up there for everyone to see that I chose not to wait for the train to pass?

Come on, people, is it really worth it?

TERESA GUTH  
Madison

### Wilson facing difficult task

TO THE EDITOR:  
I know Mayor Glen Wilson of Pontoon Beach must be very frustrated. It's hard enough to administer a village when the entire board works together, but it's nearly impossible when there is friction and animosity on the board.

Under the circumstances, I think Mayor Wilson is doing a commendable job for Pontoon Beach, and the citizens should do all they can to help him do his job.

Good luck, Mr. Wilson.  
HELEN M. HAWKINS  
Nameoki Township Clerk

### Schermers' aid is remembered

TO THE EDITOR:  
When I was a little girl, my dad worked in the mill. Every year, when the mill would close for three months, he didn't have work.

But, the Schermers brothers would give us food. They are wonderful people.

ALICE (KOSTER) MCCARTHY  
Granite City

### Bi-State should change plan

TO THE EDITOR:  
This letter is in response to Bi-State's proposal to slash bus service from Illinois to Missouri Nov. 27.

The 40 people who attended the Oct. 10 public meeting were only a small sample of those angry with the proposal to cut expenses in anticipation of a half-million-dollar slash in federal subsidies.

Bi-State officials receive good salaries; I suggest they earn those salaries, use their "smarts," brainstorm and find some other way to cut costs.

I respectfully request that Bi-State Development Agency continue bus service across the "big river" for those of us on the east side.

NORMA MACIOS  
Granite City

### Term limits, gambling limits

TO THE EDITOR:  
There is growing concern among many residents about the proliferation of gambling and illegal gambling devices in Illinois. This proliferation is driven mainly by the insatiable appetite of the state for more taxes.

The fallout of more taxes goes to support the desire of some legislative members to increase their present affluent lifestyles. Public office has too often become an attraction to those who wish a lifetime career of enjoying this prize.

It is no surprise that a growing criminal element wishes to cash in on gambling by emulating the state. If it is proper for the state to sponsor gambling, what is wrong with a criminal element doing like-wise?

State-sponsored gambling has opened the door to other vices. How soon will the state be sponsoring prostitution and drugs for tax revenue?

Perhaps the time has come for some Bible thumpers to gain state political office and seriously curtail state-sponsored gambling by enacting term limits on all elected state officials.

Term limits are also around the corner for the U.S. Congress, in spite of what the majority of the U.S. Supreme Court has to say.

CHARLES D. SULLIVAN  
Valmeyer

The recent decision by the U.S. Supreme Court only prevents term limits on the U.S. Congress; it does not prevent term limits on state officials.

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CHARLES D. SULLIVAN  
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### Everyone must be responsible

TO THE EDITOR:  
All U.S. citizens are not necessarily Americans (in my opinion).

Americanism is a state of mind. Being an American is believing in our laws that our forefathers set forth in the Constitution to promote freedom and understanding among all its citizens by showing respect and courtesy to all, no matter who or what they believe in as long as they show

and respect your rights. In order to keep these freedoms, each person must take the responsibility for his fellow American's freedom, no matter who he or she is, how they worship or if they are of Native American, African, Asian or European ancestry.

There are some citizens in this nation who preach separatism and want to blame others for their own problems instead of trying to work them out. We have to work our problems out together and promote understanding and friendship among all.

In the past, there have been many unjust acts against all people who have immigrated and live in this country. Down through the years, we have tried to correct this with new laws.

We must strive to learn from the past and not repeat it. We must not condemn the child for what his or her father or mother has done.

Everyone must learn from their mistakes and correct them, not repeat them.

RICHARD BICKEL  
Caseville

### K of C should accept women

TO THE EDITOR:  
Almost 220 years ago, a group of European immigrants brought forth on the American continent a new nation, conceived in liberty and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

The North American (United States) experiment gradually expanded to include both male and female citizens, of every

race and ethnic derivation, in this sphere of equality. However, some of the nation's citizens are still reluctant to recognize this equality.

One hundred and thirteen years ago, Father Michael McGivney and a small group of Irish male parishioners formed a group to primarily provide financial assistance to the widows and orphans of members of that parish. The organization was to be called the Knights of Columbus, after the name of the great explorer, Christopher Columbus.

During the first 100 years of its existence, the Knights of Columbus expanded their membership to include Catholic men from Canada, the United States, Dominican Republic, Guam, Mexico, Puerto Rico and at least one country on the periphery of the Asian continent, the Philippines.

I think the question we are on the threshold of confronting today is twofold: Should the Knights of Columbus expand its membership by offering membership to all men of good moral character? And, should the organization also include women and change the name to Knights and Ladies of Columbus?

In 1882, the majority of women were content to be home makers (which I continue to believe is one of the greatest vocations to dedicate oneself to). However, because of economic pressures and the legitimate desire to select their individual vocations, many women are independent and capable of carrying forward the various aims of the Knights of Columbus, which is fostering a charity-unity-fraternity patriotism.

NORMAN D. KUTTERER  
Columbia

## Recycling gets started

(The following editorial is from the Alton Telegraph.)

Years of talk about recycling are being translated into action as Laidlaw Waste Systems Inc. begins construction of its first large-scale commercial recycling center in the area.

Small municipal or non-profit recycling operations and specialty recycling businesses have been around for years, but there has never been a center capable of handling the volume of trash recycling that will be necessary if area communities are going to meet a 25 percent state recycling mandate that goes into effect next summer.

The Laidlaw operation will be a clean merit — a materials recovery facility that processes recyclables dropped off by consumers or sorted at curbside by homeowners. The center is designed to handle 50 tons of recyclables a day, and consumers will be paid for some items that they take to the drop-off center.

Laidlaw officials project the merit will be in operation by February.

Still on the drawing board is an even larger mixed-waste materials recovery facility — known as dirty merit — that is planned in Wood River's Lewis and Clark EnvironTech Park. That plant, which will be built by an Ohio-based firm, will pick recyclables out of unsorted consumer trash. So far, only the city of Alton has committed to directing residential waste collected in the city to the plant.

The state mandate to counties and municipalities to recycle at least 25 percent of consumer waste will be difficult to achieve under the best of circumstances.

Here in Madison County we're getting a late start in the process, but at least the process has begun.

While the merits of the two waste recycling approaches will long be debated, municipalities throughout the county need to be about the business of making a decision and a commitment to one or the other.

From the Alton Telegraph

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# People



Julie Spotted Eagle Horse and Karin Eagle explain their dresses to the class. The long beads which Julie wears are to honor the warriors of the tribe, as they represent the bone armor they wore around their throats and on their chests in battle to deflect arrows from vital areas.

## Indian culture comes alive

## Native Americans bring customs to class

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

The dancers moved around the circle, some walking, some bouncing.

As Julie Spotted Eagle Horse led the group, some of the dancers tried to copy her movements, while others were content just to move. For students in Victoria Boyd's fifth grade class at Lake Elementary School, a visit by three Native Americans was a chance to learn what America's first inhabitants were really like. Madeleine Myers, Spotted Eagle Horse and Karin Eagle visited the class last Wednesday, bringing their knowledge, costumes and items.

Myers is the mother of one of Boyd's students. "Last year I became familiar with her and asked her to come to my class," Boyd said.

"It was such a wonderful experience that this year when I had Clinton I thought it would be a great opportunity to study about native Americans. I'm hoping this will develop into some more lessons throughout the year." Karin Eagle, an Oglala Sioux originally from the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation in South Dakota, showed the students a fan made from the wing of an American bald eagle.

Most people except Native Americans are prohibited from

owning anything made with real eagle feathers. Because of that and because they are difficult to obtain anyway, painted turkey feathers are used.

"They would be fined something ferocious just to find it (an eagle feather) and keep it," she said. "I was given this eagle fan by my uncle, a chief. I am an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe."

The three brought a number of items to show the class, including a clay pipe and smudge pot.

After showing the items to the students, Myers told them the story of Sequoia, a Cherokee who developed a written alphabet for his nation in the early 19th century. Spotted Eagle Horse, an Iveska Sioux, then led the students in a simple dance.

At first a few girls joined in. Then most of the girls, who dragged a few boys along. Finally, Boyd also joined the dancers.

Jennifer Callender said it was "funny."

"It was in a big circle, and everybody was looking at you, and you didn't know how to do it very good," she said.

Although he didn't dance, Josh Hesse said it was very interesting.

"I thought it was pretty neat," he said. "It was something I've never seen before."

However, he decided against joining, and the girls couldn't drag him in.

"I don't know, I really don't like to dance," he said.

"I was only sorry today I didn't make it clear that nobody should dance if they don't want to," Myers said.

"Some of the girls were ever so slightly aggressive and wanted everybody to participate."

She said one of the nice things about their dances was that people can do what they want.



Julie Spotted Eagle Horse shows the class the minks attached to the end of her braids. Sioux women traditionally wore them in this manner to make their hair seem longer.

"There is no particular step — which is great — because some of us who are not so graceful can be there and not be embarrassed," she said. "The music will move you. Of course we had canned music, but a real drum will move you. It goes on forever. It goes on all night."

Karin Eagle said women dance to honor the men.

"The women of our tribe have never actually been very exuberant dancers," she said. "It's very sedate and calm. Sometimes we'll stand on the sidelines and do a little bouncing movements."

"We'll let the men dance," she continued. "The men are more exuberant and they have more movements."

She described the men as "beautiful" dancers.

"It's a very dignified dance," she said. "It's not like in the movies where they're leaping and hollering and making a big fuss."

Karin Eagle said most of what is seen in the movies is incorrect.

"That misinformation is one of the reasons the three speak and perform."

"People need to know these things," she said. "If they learn an ounce of anything about Native Americans, they're going to be more sensitive to everything in the world."

Julie Spotted Eagle Horse said she agreed.

"wholeheartedly."

"We need to start teaching people young to appreciate other cultures," she said. "The way to end discrimination and prejudice is to start young. I don't want my daughter to go through some of the things I've gone through."



(Staff photos by JOHN FRESE)

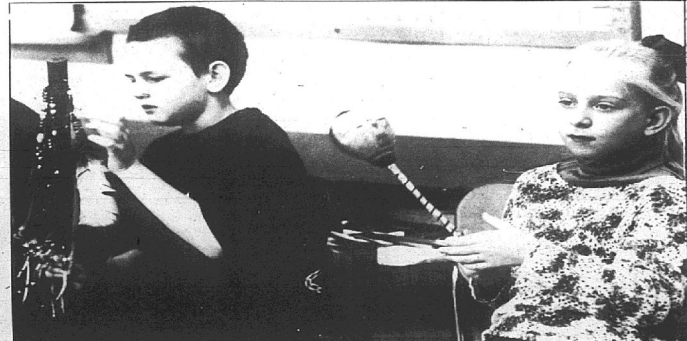
Terrell Bold holds a ceremonial staff topped with a dream catcher, while Madeleine Myers explains its significance in symbolizing a warrior's weapon. To his left classmate Kevin Thebeau inspects another item Myers brought to show the class.



Rosemary Cervantes asks Madeleine Myers the significance of an Indian artifact which came from her family. Cervantes is part Cherokee.



Madeleine Myers speaks to the class at Lake School.



Ricky Hamilton and Jessica Gibson hold two of the items Myers brought with her during the presentation.

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Jay Starratt, director of technical and automation services in the Office of Library at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, will become dean of Lovejoy Library at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, effective Jan. 1.

The appointment is subject to ratification by the SIUE Board of Trustees.

Starratt has held his current position at SIUE since 1992. The units he directs include library systems, access services, and instructional support services. In addition, he co-directs the CISA/2001 team, a group of campus information professionals working on shared technology issues.

Starratt previously served five years as assistant director of Library Services at SIUE. Earlier, he was associated with the University Library at the University of Nebraska at Omaha as assistant director for administrative services.



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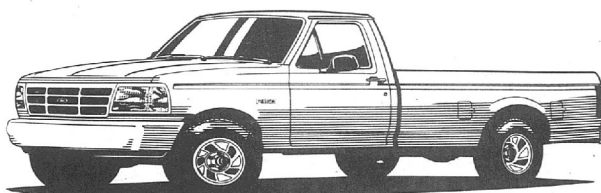
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## 'Drive-through' controversy

### Bill would force insurers to pay for hospital stays

SPRINGFIELD — The Illinois State Medical Society contended "drive-through delivery" legislation doesn't go far enough, while insurance and business groups say it goes too far.

An Illinois House committee Monday began hearing testimony on a proposed bill to require insurers to pay for minimum hospital stays for giving birth. The bill requires a minimum coverage of 48 hours for vaginal births and 96

hours for Caesarean births. Pediatricians backing the legislation contend they are seeing increasingly shorter hospital stays of 24 hours or less that are leading to more health complications for newborns and mothers.

The committee does not plan to vote on the bill until at least January.

Illinois State Medical Society President Dr. Raymond Hoffmann, the first witness at the hearing, said, "Many

managed-care and other insurance companies have adopted as routine postpartum stays of 24 hours or less and some even shrink that to as little as six to 12 hours."

Hoffmann said studies have shown "early release of infants results in untreated jaundice, feeding problems, respiratory difficulties and infections of the eyes and ears."

"But doctors do not believe that in the long run, that duty (to protect patients) would be fulfilled by replacing insurance company length-of-stay standards with specific, more generous legislated ones," Hoffmann added.

He said lawmakers should require clear notice on what insurance coverage is provided, a guaranteed appeals process to challenge denials of care and protection for doctors who seek appropriate care for their patients against retaliation of being "deselected by managed care plans."

Several representatives of insurance and business groups, however, objected to legislation dictating any minimum coverages, saying it would thwart efforts to control rising health care costs.

They argued that language in most policies covering "what is medically necessary" is already adequate.

— From the Alton Telegraph

## School waivers supported

SPRINGFIELD — A request by Wood River-Hartford Elementary for a waiver from paperwork required by the state quality review process drew some sympathy from an Illinois House committee Monday.

Wood River-Hartford Superintendent Larry Busch could not attend the House Elementary and Secondary Education Committee conference, but superintendents from the Belleville and Kickapoo-Brimfield districts, which have made similar mandate waiver requests, testified.

Belleville Superintendent Jim Rosborg said he had discussed the issue with Busch and they had the same basic arguments. Rosborg noted that the districts also have not asked to be exempted from the standardized state tests but simply want to do their own evaluations rather than filing voluminous reports with the State Board of Education.

Rosborg told the committee that his district had been given high ratings in the state review process and had done its own testing before the state mandated it. State Board of Education regulations resulted in teachers having to spend "15 to 20 days a year" on pointless paperwork, he said.

"Something is wrong here and I can guarantee you we can improve over the present setup by the State Board of Education," he added.

Kickapoo-Brimfield Superintendent William Hunter noted his district's waiver request had been signed by all teachers. He ripped the State Board for "spending five years putting out regulations we need to meet and it hasn't meant a single thing."

State Superintendent Joseph Spagnolo is lobbying lawmakers to give his office time to streamline the regulations rather than grant the waiver requests.

Several members of the House committee said they have received numerous comments from teachers, parents and school administrators in their areas claiming districts under a bureaucratic burden.

Committee chairman Rep. Mary Lou Cowlishaw, R-Naperville, praised Hunter's waiver request language stating the state regulations "reduced trained professional educators to becoming bean counters, paper shufflers and bureaucratic hoop jumpers."

"That is exactly what people all over this state have said," she said.

The Legislature is considering for the first time state mandate waiver requests from school districts under a law passed earlier this year.

Nearly 70 requests on a variety of issues have been filed, although Wood River-Hartford is the only district in this area seeking an exemption.

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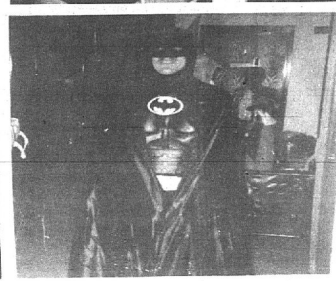
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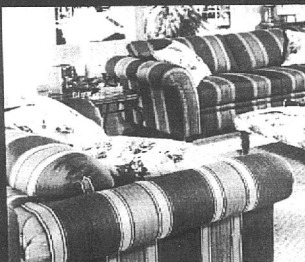
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# Sports

Section B

November 16, 1995

GRANITE CITY PRESS-RECORD



Art Voellinger

## Local pros' stock rising in Arizona

Recently, this corner referred to the Arizona Fall League of professional baseball by focusing on the career of former All-Star star Daulton Stovall and mentioning former East St. Louis Senior High standout Homer Bush.

Stovall leaped into the AFL spotlight as a switch-hitting center fielder for the Montreal organization with a .330 batting average by mid-November with Mesa.

BUSH, MEANWHILE, also was impressing major league scouts, although the fifth-year pro for San Diego was struggling with the bat (slightly above .200) in the Oct. 5-Nov. 30 AFL.

Originally signed by San Diego scout Van Smith of Belleville, Bush has drawn raves since hitting .280 with 34 stolen bases last season with Class AA Memphis of the Southern League. Normally a shortstop, Bush has moved to second base.

"He's an exciting player," said San Diego scouting director Kevin Towers. "We foresee him as either a leadoff guy or a two-hole (No. 2) hitter."

"In the past, he always hit for great average (.292 composite) and sometimes put his defense as second fiddle because he loves to hit so much. But he made some great, great plays at Memphis and has made great strides on defense."

**EXTRA INNINGS:** Other southwestern Illinois minor leaguers and their '95 statistics follow: Brent Brice of Trenton, outfielder, Minnesota Twins, Hardware City, Conn., Class AA Eastern League, .274 batting average, 28 doubles, three triples, three home runs, 39 runs batted in, 14 stolen bases.

Wes Brooks of Lebanon, righthanded pitcher, Boston Red Sox, Trenton, N.J., Class AA Eastern League, 5-11 record, 4.12 earned run average, 29 games, five complete games, 162 innings, 149 hits allowed, 85 strikeouts, 43 base on balls.

**BRIAN DAUBACH** of Belleville, first baseman, New York Mets, Binghamton, N.Y., Class AA Eastern League, .245, 115 hits, 25 doubles, two triples, 10 home runs, 72 RBIs, six stolen bases.

Tom Price of Edwardsville, lefthanded pitcher, Los Angeles Dodgers, San Bernardino, Calif., Class A California League, 10-5, 2.20, 42 games, 13 starts, two saves, 152 innings, 145 hits, 82 strikeouts, 14 base on balls.

Perry Wells of Belleville, outfielder-first baseman, Colorado Rockies, Salem, Va., Class A Carolina League, .254, 102 hits, 23 doubles, four triples, 18 home runs, 67 RBIs, 60 runs scored, six stolen bases.

**OVERTIME:** By coincidence, Stovall and the Mesa team were slated for a Nov. 11 game—the same date as the Kansas-Nebraska collegiate football game that offered local interest.

No. 55 for Kansas is center Jim Stiebel, a 6-2, 275-pound junior, who transferred from Nebraska after the 1992 season.

No. 38 for Nebraska is outside linebacker Luther Hardin, a 6-2, 235-pound senior whose '95 achievements include a touchdown run with a recovered fumble.



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESI)

Bobby Pritchard had two assists Saturday in Granite City's season-opening win over Fort Zumwalt North.

## Warriors skate to 1st win GCHS upends Fort Zumwalt North 6-3

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

Once again, the Warriors' defense left a little to be desired; but once again, Granite City got the win.

The Warriors opened their season on a high note last Saturday with a 6-3 win over Fort Zumwalt North in a non-division Mid-States Club Hockey Association game.

As was the case throughout the preseason, the Warriors' offense struck quickly, and in spite of a letdown on the defensive end, it was enough to carry them through.

**KEVIN NENNINGER**, Granite City's top scorer in the preseason, took up where he left off by tallying twice. His goal in the first period at the 3:48 mark gave the Warriors the lead, and he scored again in the second period made it 3-0.

"It's too early to say, but Kevin may be ready to have a big year," said GCHS coach Dave Yurkovich. "Who knows at this point, but he's playing pretty well."

The Warriors took a 5-1 lead into the final period, only to see Fort Zumwalt North come back with short-handed and

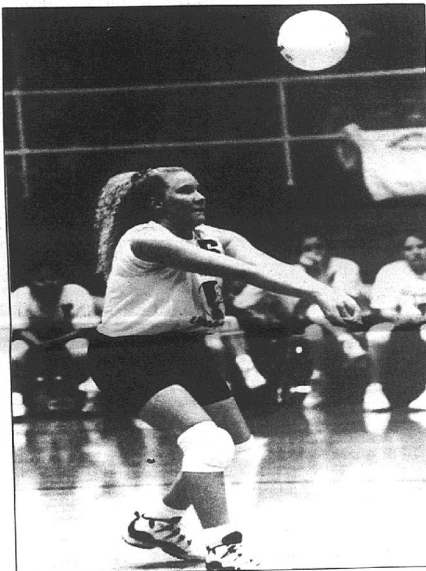
power-play goals to make things interesting.

"We actually started out pretty slow in the game, but we seemed to get things together after a while and played pretty well. Zumwalt wasn't a team that was easy to defend," Yurkovich said. "They don't pass the puck very well, but they do skate well. We seemed to fall into that kind of game too, where we weren't putting passes together like we should."

**ON OFFENSE**, Yurkovich continued to mix his lines, with good success. The Warriors were missing a few key ingredients on defense and had to struggle to keep Zumwalt North off the board.

"We're a little banged up right now," Yurkovich said. "Chris Angle is in the hospital with a bad cold, and Travis Scroggins is out with sore knees. We've got three or four kids battling the flu right now."

"We were a little short on defense, so we had some younger kids in there. Their effort was there, but they were a little too aggressive on some plays, and although that's better than being underaggressive, (see WARRIORS, Page 3B)



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESI)

Stephanie Brandt returns the ball during the Lady Warriors' sectional title game against Decatur Eisenhower. The Lady Warriors won the Edwardsville Regional title before ending the season 19-12-1 in sectional play.

## Postseason run fitting end for GCHS seniors

Lady Warriors capture 3rd regional title under Gagich

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

It's amazing how much a good postseason will make one forget about the disappointments of a regular season.

For the Lady Warriors, that was the case. After a regular season that seemed like a distant memory after they won a regional title and challenged tooth and nail for the Taylorville Sectional crown.

**GRANITE CITY**, WHICH finished 19-12-1 on the season, went 3-1 in the postseason and nearly advanced to the Collinsville Super-Sectional to face Belleville West. The Lady Warriors lost a competitive three-game match to Decatur Eisenhower in the sectional final, and West went on to defeat Eisenhower in the super-sectional.

It was a nice way to end the season," Lady Warrior coach Cindy Gagich said. "Even (West coach) Charlie Rodman told us that he would have rather met Eisenhower in the super-sectional, because he knew how hungry we were and how well we had played

"This group of seniors had their sight set on some definite goals, and they didn't want the season to end. They really worked together and realized that they had worked too long and hard to let the season end."

—Cindy Gagich  
GCHS coach

against them a few weeks earlier."

Hungry describes this group of Lady Warriors well. After they went through hills and valleys in the regular season, something happened to them as the postseason arrived.

"This group of seniors had their sight set on some definite

## Willis, McMillan top all-SWC list

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

The senior members of the Lady Warrior volleyball team have certainly left their mark on the program.

This year's seniors marked the first group to play all four of their years under coach Cindy Gagich at GCHS. The result was three regional titles, and this year the seniors led the team to new heights.

**NOW THE HONORS** are pouring in. Senior Jennifer Willis was named to the all-Southwestern Conference first team. Denise McMillan first earned the same honor and was voted to the second team.

Earning honorable mention were junior Stephanie Brandt and sophomore Jennifer Wright.

Willis is the Lady Warriors' top recruit and is being sought by several Division I schools, including Wichita State, Indiana State, Illinois State and SIU-Carbondale.

Willis is sitting out basketball season at GCHS in order to rest her ailing back. Doctors told Willis her back could not handle the basketball season and the club volleyball season, which begins

(see SPIKERS, Page 3B)



(Photo by PAM HURD)

## GCHS grapplers gearing up for season

By Rob Raphael  
Staff writer

Two weeks into the practice season, Mike Garland and the GCHS wrestling team are gearing up for what will hopefully be a replay of last year's success. Well, maybe not a total replay.

The Warriors accomplished a great deal in the individual Illinois state tournament last year, but had their season and team state title chances snuffed out by the Illinois High School Association's controversial decision to cancel the Class AA dual-team state tournament.

AS FANS MIGHT recall,

Chicago Mt. Carmel was cited for entering too many tournaments with its varsity team during the regular season. The limit is four, and Mt. Carmel claimed it sent its JV team to one of the tournaments in question.

Meanwhile, Granite City, which had a legitimate shot at challenging Mt. Carmel for the state title—as well as the other schools in the running—were denied a chance to compete. And as the 1995-96 wrestling season rolls



(Photo by PAM HURD)

around, Garland knows of nothing that has changed or been rectified in the matter.

"As far as I know, no changes have been made in any way," Garland said. "They didn't do anything. We, and the rest of schools, were punished, and nothing happened to the offending school. I guess they just said 'Don't do that anymore.'"

Garland added that the eight seniors back from last year's team have that in the backs of their minds as well.

"CERTAINLY THE end to last year was disappointing, but it didn't take away from what we did at the individual



John Selliers (right), a returning state qualifier, is back for his senior season with GCHS.

### Trivial matters

1. Peoria Manual enters this season in search of its third straight Illinois Class AA state basketball title. What is the only Class AA or Class A school to win three straight titles?

2. With 23 sectional basketball titles, Collinsville ranks second on the all-time list. Which school holds the record for most sectional titles won?

Answers at right.

### Community Sports Calendar

#### IAF baseball camp

The International Athletic Foundation will be hosting a youth baseball camp Dec. 26-29 at two locations: The Ball Park in O'Fallon and Gateway Indoor Complex in St. Louis. The camp is for players ages 9-14. The cost is \$125 and includes lunch each day, a camp T-shirt, a participation certificate and an autographed photo from St. Louis Cardinals pitcher T.J. Mathews. Mathews, a Columbia native, will be a special instructor for two days at each site. For more information, call Jim Turner at (314) 645-5495.



### Coming up

**Season to start**  
GCHS senior Denise McMillan (left) and the Lady Warriors open the season tonight at home against Mascoutah.

**Trivia answers**  
1. East St. Louis Lincoln (1987-89).  
2. Quincy (28).

## •Grapplers

(Continued from Page 1B)

state meet," Garland said. "It was no total loss; we gained a lot of experience and picked up a few medals. But sure, we would have liked that opportunity."

"Garland has a total of about 60 wrestlers out for the program this year. He said he does not make cuts from the team per se, and that all of the wrestlers will get a chance to compete at most matches. Still, he will be looking for 13 wrestlers to compete at the varsity level this season — which begins Nov. 21 against O'Fallon. Garland is wary of the Panthers, who have every one returning from their '94-'95 squad."

And the Warriors lost four of their best wrestlers ever. State champion T.J. Slay, Tim Fulkerson, Tony Buczek and Brian Schooley are the missing state qualifiers who have graduated.

This year's senior class will be led by Chris Janek, John Sellers, John Venne, Joe Scott and Jeff Estrada. Janek, who placed sixth in the heavy-weight division at state last

year, and Sellers are both returning state qualifiers. At this point, Garland is getting his wrestlers in shape and preparing for the season.

"It's just our second week. We're mainly working on timing and conditioning," Garland said. "It's a matter of getting back to where we were last year."

Garland will be missing one of his long-time assistants — and his brother — Greg Garland, who took over the head coaching chores at Althoff High School. However, returning to the GCHS staff will be Tom Blaha and Mark Whitaker.

"Last year, the seniors took charge and led us to a great season," Mike Garland said. "It's a matter of this group of seniors stepping up a notch to make up for losing those four (seniors). We don't have a lot of experience returning, but we should be successful."

"We can't think that it will be automatic, though. We'll have to work hard and go through a lot in order to even get close to what we did last year."



Senior Joe Scott (bottom) and the Warriors open the season Nov. 21 against O'Fallon.

## SPORTS

## •Spikers

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In December. A choice had to be made, and with Willis sure of her future sport, she chose volleyball.

McMillan, on the other hand, remained reasonably healthy all season despite stress problems with both of her shins. McMillan will play basketball this year and is leaning toward playing basketball in college. She is being looked at by several Division II schools.

Jill Wozniak also has a good chance of playing at the next level, probably at a Division III school.

Gagich and the GCHS coaching staff recently handed out team awards for this season. Willis was named the team's most outstanding hitter. She finished the year with 307 kills, an average of 5.46 per match.

"She's a legitimate Division I prospect," Gagich said. "Her quickness, her biggest asset, and she'll get more finesse in the future."

Named as the team's most improved player was Wright, who made the move from the freshman team to varsity in just one season.

"I've had that happen before, but rarely do you see a player make that kind of move and play in full rotation," Gagich said.

The Most Consistent Server award went to Wozniak, who served 95 percent on the season and was perfect from the service line in 21 matches.

Gagich said the choice for best server was extremely tough, so she came up with another award for the effective server. That award went to Tara Wiebusch, who served at over 90 percent for the year, with 69 percent of her serves resulting in GCHS points. She also had a 23 percent ace average.

The team's Most Valuable Player award was given to McMillan, who finished with 615 assists, 87 kills and also served at 91 percent.

"But that's only half of the story," Gagich said. "She has such great court sense, plus her athletic ability. And she showed great leadership."

Off the court, five GCHS seniors are also members of the National Honor Society: McMillan, Willis, Wozniak, Wiebusch and Bari Baum.

"Volleyball is a thinking game, and I'm not sure a lot of people realize that," Gagich said. "Intelligence is often overlooked, but just another pat on the back for this school."

## Football

### PREP PLAYOFFS

**CLASS 6A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Downers Grove South 23, Palatine Fremd 15  
Naperville Central 21, Hinsdale Central 19  
Romeoville 33, Chicago Brother Rice 22  
Pekin 40, Moline 9  
Roselle Lake Park 48, Chicago Clemente 0  
Lincolnshire Stevenson 48, Chicago Young 6

**CLASS 5A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Chicago Math 21, Chicago Julian 8  
Danville 28, Burbank Peavys 21  
Edwardsville 28, Romeoville 22  
Rockford Boyan 32, Chicago Hubbard 0  
Ottawa 53, Chicago South Shore 5  
Kankakee Mohamud 20, Rock Island Altamont 0

**CLASS 4A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Wheaton Warrenville South 102, Elmhurst York 102, 1 p.m.  
Chicago Heights Marian 13, Chicago Simon 5  
Chicago Mt. Carmel 35, Chicago Morgan Park 14

**CLASS 3A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Springfield 14, Jerseyville 21  
Midlothian Bremen 18, Oswego 14  
Joliet Catholic 7, Mundelein Carmel 6  
Kankakee 18, Lansing T.F. South 13  
Morris 7, Moline 3  
Champaign Centennial 14, Peotone 6

**CLASS 2A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Hillsboro 41, Clinton 6  
Harvard 20, Marengo 6  
Normal U-High 22, Clinton Central 20

**CLASS 1A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Woodstock Marian 35, LaGrange Park Nazareth 6  
Lombard Montini 30, Evergreen Park 0  
Spring Valley Hall 28, Mendota 7  
Bessemer Motor Dai 20, Mazon Seymour 6  
Macomb 40, Carlinville 0  
Benton 21, Robinson 12  
DuQuoin 33, Olney East Highland 7  
Freeburg 25, Waterloo 8  
Mount Carmel 29, Murgisboro 20  
Fairfield 30, West Frankfort 26  
Pontiac 26, Bloomington Central Catholic 14

**CLASS 1A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Coal City 21, Monmouth 0  
Naperville Central 21, Addison Driscoll 0

**CLASS 1A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Normal U-High 35, Pontiac 8

**CLASS 1A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Oak Lawn Richards 45, Chicago Calumet 0

**CLASS 1A FIRST ROUND**  
Friday, Oct. 27  
Metamora 20, Sterling 0  
Springfield Sacred Heart-Griffin 13, Bethalto Civic Memorial 0

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Friday, Nov. 17  
Oak Lawn Richards 45, Chicago Calumet 0

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# Warriors

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John to do is stay on his feet more," Yurkovich said. "He did a better job of that, and he'll get better as the season goes along."

As many teams will do, once Zumwalt North fell behind it tried to get physical with the Warriors.

"We're used to that, and we don't mind it," Yurkovich said. "We do the same thing sometimes, but we can play it that way, and it didn't affect us too much. We like the physical part of the game."

Granite City plays twice more on the road this week, Friday at Afton versus Lutheran South and Saturday at Chesterfield versus St. Charles West. On Monday, the Warriors open their home schedule at 9:45 p.m. with a game against John Burroughs.

MAC basketball signs The Mitchell Athletic Club

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## Sports shorts

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The cost is \$45 per player for the 18-hole event and includes golf cart, prize money and chili dinner. Participants will be flighted according to the number of teams entered.

Prizes will be awarded to the first and second-place finishers in each flight, with \$800 prize money per flight based on 20 teams. Tee times begin at 10 a.m.

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## FAMILY

## Births

## Goodwin

Brian and Michelle Goodwin of Caseyville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Dakota Schae was born at 5:12 a.m. Sept. 1, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 5 pounds, 6 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Chris and Sue Hensley of Erie, Mich., and Avie Hensley of St. Petersburg, Fla. The paternal grandparents are Jerry and Cheryl Goodwin of Collinsville and Sharon Kasson of Bowling Green, Ky. Dakota joins Brandon, 4.

## Smith

Douglas and Lesa Smith of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Laini Marie was born at 6:49 a.m. Sept. 1, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 10 pounds, 9 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are William and Linetta Jarard of Granite City. The paternal grandparents are Ira and Arlene Smith of Granite City. Laini joins Leann, 6.

## Johnessee

Todd and Tina Johnessee of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Madison Janette was born Sept. 3, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce.

Her maternal grandparents are Lyle and Sue Spaulding of Loveland, Colo. The paternal grandparents are Ernie and Pat Johnessee of Edwardsville. Madison joins Paige, 5.

## Cottrell

Chris and Kim Cottrell of Edwardsville have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Joseph Christopher was born at 9:45 a.m. Sept. 6, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 5 pounds.

His maternal grandparents are Bill and Jackie Seafo of Granite City. The paternal grandparents are Everett and Carol Cottrell of Glen Carbon. Joseph joins Danielle Cottrell, 2.

## Scroggins

Bryan and Betty Scroggins of Caseyville have announced the birth of their first child, a son.

Bryan Austin was born at 3:40 p.m. Sept. 6, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 13 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Doris and Ken Kinney of Collinsville. The paternal grandparents are Eugene and Shirley Scroggins of Edwardsville.

## Davis

Steve and Angi Davis of Maryville have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

## Gospel singers here

The Harvest Time Gospel Singers will be performing at 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 19, at the Pentecostal Church of God, 24th Street and Bromley in Granite City.

Noah Oscar was born at 2:54 p.m. Sept. 11, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 12½ ounces. His maternal grandparents are Roy and Fatti Strauser of Maryville. The paternal grandparents are Bob Davis of Troy and Sue Davis of Collinsville. Noah joins Brittany, 5.

## Gibson

Richard and Sondra Gibson of Granite City have announced the birth of their first child, a daughter.

Laura Nicole was born at 3:12 p.m. Sept. 14, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

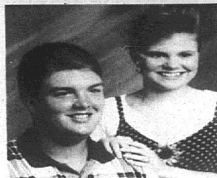
Her maternal grandparents are Richard and Geraldine Bosch of Collinsville. The paternal grandparents are Jim and Sherry Linton of Granite City.

## Reynolds

Kerry and Carla Reynolds of St. Jacob have announced the birth of their third child, a son.

Jacob Alan was born at 11:26 a.m. Sept. 14, 1995, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 5 pounds, 11 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Eldon and Judy Warren of Edwardsville. The paternal grandparents are Lyle and Ruth Reynolds of Collinsville. Jacob joins Jeremy, 11, and Cory, 8.



Renee Biggs and Brett Barron

## Biggs-Barron

Renee Dawn Biggs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Biggs of Granite City, and Brett Andrew Barron, son of Mr. and Mrs. Terry D. Barron of Granite City, have announced their engagement.

Biggs of Granite City graduated from Granite City High School and Belleville Area College with an associate of arts degree in social work. She is employed with Lots of Tots Day Care in Granite City as a teacher.

Barron, also a graduate of Granite City High School, is currently attending Olive and Nazarene University majoring in biology and chemistry. He is employed with Olive and Nazarene University in Kankakee as a teaching assistant. A Dec. 16 wedding at First Church of the Nazarene in Granite City is planned.

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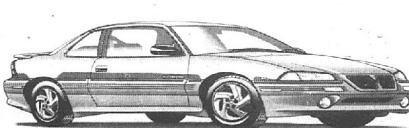
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### Boy Scout Troop 103 holds fall court of honor

The members of Holy Family Boy Scout Troop 103 held their fall court of honor on Oct. 25. During the ceremony, the members received the ranks and merit badges earned during the past six months.

Patrick Nesbit, scoutmaster for Troop 103, presided over the presentations. He was assisted by Geoff Edwards, senior patrol leader.

The scouts reported on activities and camping trips held during the time period. They also entertained all in attendance by performing a skit. Refreshments were served.

Troop members receiving advancements at the court of honor were:

Jason Nesbit, who received the Eagle Scout Rank Badge and the 50-Mile Award.

Kevin Atkins, who received the Life Rank Badge, Leather Work Badge, Rowing Badge,

First Aid Badge and Emergency Merit Badge.

Eric Barger, who received the Leather Work Badge, Handicap Awareness Badge and Baskettey Merit Badge.

Jacob Bonano, who received the Scout Rank Badge.

Zachary Cochran, who received the Wood Carving Badge and Fingerprinting Merit Badge.

Zachary Coulter, who received the Scout Rank Badge, Tenderfoot Rank Badge, Second Class Rank Badge and Leather Work Badge.

Geoff Edwards, who received the Star Rank Badge, Leather Work Badge and Rowing Merit Badge.

John Harper, who received the Star Rank Badge, Swimming Badge, Leather Work Badge, Horsemanship Badge and the Camping Merit Badge.

David Haynes, who received the Star Rank Badge, Citizenship in the Community Badge, Horsemanship Badge and Reptile Study Merit Badge.

Tom Haynes, who received the Horsemanship Badge and Leather Work Badge.

John Lusie, who received the Scout Rank Badge, Tenderfoot Rank Badge and Second Class Rank Badge.

Tony Mell, who received the Star Rank Badge, First Aid Badge and Citizenship in the Community Badge.

Patrick Meredith, who received the Star Rank Badge, Emergency Preparedness Badge, Leather Work Badge, Wood Carving Badge, Fingerprinting Badge and Swimming Badge.

Nathan Smith, who received the Baskettey Badge, Citizenship in the Community Badge, Leather Work Badge, Rowing Badge and Emergency Preparedness Badge.

Tommy Welch, who received the Leather Work Badge.

William Welch, who received the Scout Rank Badge, Tenderfoot Rank Badge, Second Class Rank Badge and Leather Work Badge.

**Jamie Rose Kozak celebrates birthday**

celebrated her eighth birthday at home with a party hosted by her parents, Jim and Charlotte Kozak. Cousins, aunts and uncles gathered for the celebration and a Casper/Halloween birthday cake was served along with dinner.

Those attending were Jim



**Hermocallis Society** — The 1995-96 officers for the Southwest Hermocallis Society of Granite City are, from left, seated, Pam Hurd, vice president, and Agnes Miller, president; back row, Mary Schildman, secretary, and Beulah Miller, treasurer. Officers were elected at the club's October meeting. In other business, the society's annual Day Lily Show and sale date was set for June 29, 1996, at the Alton Square Mall. Meeting dates were set for the coming year and the society's annual Christmas meeting was planned.

### Marriage licenses

The following marriage licenses were issued through the office of Debbie Saltich, Madison County clerk:

Steven William Arbeiter and Jacquelyn Ruth Nesbit, both of Granite City.

Ronald Bates Jr. and Liona Mallet, both of Madison.

Elwood James Besserman and Sharon Jane Stout, both of Granite City.

Tommy Joe Burns and Joann Townsend McDaniel, both of Madison.

Brian Paul Buske and Sheila Kay Dockery, both of Granite City.

Michael Compton and Dorothy Redford, both of Madison.

and Charlotte Kozak, her brother Jonathan, grandmother Rose Rice and great-uncle and great-aunt Joseph and Sophie O'Neil. Her great-uncle Martin Kozak visited in the afternoon.

Jamie also enjoyed a day at school in which her classmates, teacher and aide made personal birthday cards for Jamie.

She and her family spent a day at the Science Center and enjoyed the presentation of the Titanic at the Omnimax Theatre, followed by lunch.

At a later date, Jamie and her family attended the Kiel Center to enjoy the performance of the Ringling Brothers and Barnum Bailey Circus.

Michael Lewis Compton and Pauline Lee Radford, both of Madison.

Carlos Cook of Lovejoy and Debra Dillon of Venice.

Richard Dewayne Dawes and Melissa Kaye Lynch, both of Granite City.

Victor Dwight Dulaney of Paxton, Ill. and Mavis Elane Carter of Granite City.

Rickey Gary Gardner Jr. of Granite City and Cassandra Lene Ross of Troy.

John William Huey and Debra Kay Wright, both of Madison.

Jay Edward Jones and Tammy Robertson, both of Granite City.

Christopher Allen Moore and Stacey Ellen Wooley, both of Granite City.

Christopher Alan Voss and Stacie Lynn Wallace, both of Granite City.

Daniel Joseph Zebrowski and Pamela Gail Thompson, both of Granite City.

The following marriage licenses have been issued through the office of Sam Flood, St. Clair County clerk:

Karnell Remone Greer of Washington Park and Rosa Mae Blackwell of Madison.

Michael Wade Hall of Trenton and Jennifer Ann Schwartz of Granite City.

### THE LAW AND YOU

By RICK REED  
Attorney At Law



Should parents be allowed to recover in a wrongful death action for the loss of a child? If they are allowed to recover damages from the negligent party who caused the child's death, should the age of the child at death be a controlling factor? These are questions that were recently answered by the Illinois Courts in two cases.

The Illinois Wrongful Death Act provides the basic language governing recovery in wrongful death cases. This law provides that a jury shall award damages in this type of case based on the "pecuniary injuries" (money injuries) suffered by the surviving spouse and next of kin of the deceased person. This would seem to indicate that the survivors could only recover if the deceased was actually supporting them. Our Courts, however, have expanded the meaning of "pecuniary injury" to include non-monetary losses.

In a 1984 case decided by the Illinois Supreme Court, the Court for the first time addressed the question of whether parents could recover for the death of a minor child under the Wrongful Death Act. Obviously, there is no actual loss of financial support to the parents in a case such as this. The parents argued that

they should be allowed to recover for loss of companionship, guidance, advice, love and affection of the child. The Court agreed to allow recovery in this case, thereby expanding the meaning of "pecuniary injury" beyond what the Illinois legislature probably ever intended. The Court noted, however, that they were not deciding whether parents could likewise recover damages for the death of an adult child.

This question was answered in a wrongful death case decided in October of 1984. Here a 38 year old man died in an automobile accident as a result of another driver's negligence. The deceased was a bachelor who was never married. At the time of his death, his mother lived with him in his home.

The question before the Court here was whether the mother suffered a "pecuniary injury" so as to allow her to recover under the Illinois Wrongful Death Act. The Court noted that the earlier case allowed parents to recover for the death of a minor child, and that the age of the child at death should not be controlling. The Court concluded that the decedent's mother lived with him and was dependent upon him for companionship and advice, and therefore, she should be allowed to recover for his death.

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